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SUBJECT: ELECTION RESULTS: BETANCUR CONCEDES

REF: BOGOTA 5810

1. CONSERVATIVE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE BELIASRIO BETANCUR CONCEDED DEFEAT IN A PRESS CONFERENCE ON JUNE 20. DECLINING TO AWAIT FURTHER THE OFFICIAL DECLARATION OF THE ELECTORAL COURT, BETANCUR CONGRATULATED HIS LIBERAL OPPONENT TURBAY FOR HIS "ELECTORAL TRIUMPH", BUT CALLED HIS OWN STRONG SHOWING IN THE CONTEST A "POLITICAL TRIUMPH" FOR THE NATIONAL MOVEMENT WHICH HE HEADED.

2. BETANCUR ADDED THAT BECAUSE OF THIS POLITICAL VICTORY, HE WOULD CONTINUE TO BE ACTIVE IN THIS NATIONAL MOVEMENT AND WOULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN TURBAY'S GOVERNMENT. HE TOLD HIS SUPPORTERS THAT THEY WERE FREE TO DO SO, HOWEVER.

3. COMMENT: BETANCUR'S OPTIMISTIC CONCESSIONARY STATEMENT
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LACKED BITTERNESS AND OFFERED HIS SUPPORTERS SOME HOPE FOR THE FUTURE. HIS RECOGNITION OF TURBAY'S VICTORY SHOULD EASE THE ELECTORAL REVIEW PROCESS AND HASTEN AN OFFICIAL DECLARATION BY THE ELECTORAL COURT. THE EMBASSY, THEREFORE, WOULD APPRECIATE A QUICK RESPONSE TO REFTEL.
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